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SUBJECT: ROMANIAN-SOVIET NEGOTIATIONS: KATUSHEV VISIT

REF: BUCHAREST 5059

1. SOVIET EMBOFF TOLD POLITICAL COUNSELOR OCTOBER 7 THAT MEETING OF PARTY CC SECRETARIES FROM BLOC COUNTRIES ON CEMA MATTERS (REFTEL) WILL TAKE PLACE SHORTLY, PROBABLY IN MOSCOW. SAID KATUSHEV'S VISIT TO BUCHAREST HAD RESULTED IN "AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE" ON DOCUMENT BEING PREPARED FOR CEMA SUMMIT, BUT ACKNOWLEDGED THAT CONSIDERABLE "DETAILS" AND DIFFERENCES OF POSITION STILL REMAINED. ADMITTED THAT QUESTION OF HOW CEMA SHOULD RELATE TO EC WAS KEY POINT. SOVIETS HOLD TO VIEW THAT CEMA SHOULD CONDUCT COLLECTIVE NEGOTIATIONS FOR EE COUNTRIES, WHILE ROMANIANS (DESPITE ABOVE "AGREEMENT" ON DOCUMENT) STILL ARE HOLDING OUT FOR RIGHT OF

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INDIVIDUAL CEMA COUNTRIES TO DEAL WITH EC ON ITEMS OTHER THAN

"ISSUE OF PRINCIPLE". ALSO ADMITTED THAT WHAT WAS "PRINCIPLE"
AND WHAT WAS NOT IS STILL NOT CLEAR.

2. SOVIET MILITARY ATTACHE EARLIER TOLD DATT OCTOBER 6 THAT
MEETING OF BLOC CC SECRETARIES WOULD BE HELD IN "LATE OCTOBER".
HE PUT MEETING'S AGENDA AS "ECONOMIC, PLANNING, CULTURE, ETC."

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH ABOVE DATES INCONSISTENT, NEXT STEP IN
PUTTING TOGETHER CEMA SUMMIT WOULD APPEAR TO BE SECRETARY-LEVEL
CONCLAVE, WITH AT LEAST SOME PROGRESS ON DOCUMENT POSSIBLE AS
RESULT OF KATUSHEV'S MEETING WITH CEAUSESCU.
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